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"Since joining the College Community School District in

2003, I have had the amazing opportunity to work alongside teachers, administrators, and staff members who truly believe in doing what is best for students. Our current Strategic Plan embodies all that is at the heart of what we do at College Community. We are committed to 'creating caring, safe, and equitable school environments that meet the social, emotional, academic, and overall wellness needs of ALL students.' Because we believe that educators matter, teachers in our district collaborate with one another to continuously learn about and implement best practice strategies. I love being a part of a positive culture where continuous improvement and innovation in teaching are encouraged and supported. I can't imagine teaching anywhere else and am a proud Prairie Hawk educator and parent!"



#### Kim Heckart 3rd Grade Teacher Prairie Ridge Elementary School

"College Community Schools are a 'family' I am proud to call my home. Throughout my teaching career, I have grown as a professional, been given leadership opportunities, and collaborated with topnotch colleagues. College Community provides professional learning to all educators in the district that contributes to high quality instruction and learning for all students in our district"

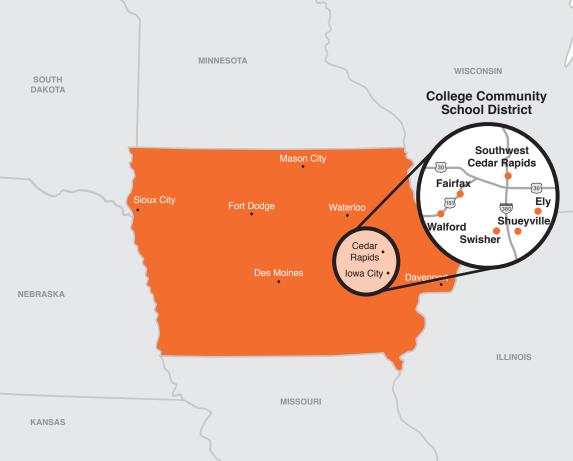


#### Mark Ganzeveld *3rd Grade Teacher* Prairie View Elementary School

Not only have I been an educator at Prairie for over 20 years, but

both of my children attended Prairie from preschool through graduation. This experience has allowed me to watch my children and my students grow in the classroom and as people. The staff and faculty at Prairie strive to provide the very best education and accommodate all students.





#### COLLEGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT IS LOCATED IN THE HEART OF THE CEDAR RAPIDS IOWA CITY CORRIDOR

College Community Schools, located in the heart of the Iowa City-Cedar Rapids Iowa (ICR Iowa) region, is a growing, educated, and diverse region. It's home to almost half a million people, the University of Iowa, a number of excellent private colleges, fantastic urban and rural housing options, and internationally recognized organizations like Collins Aerospace, ACT, and General Mills. Outdoor enthusiasts and beginners alike will love our top-rated biking and walking trails and parks. From family-friendly sports recreation, arts and culture and everything in between, this region offers a wide array of activities to keep you entertained in your time outside of the classroom.

### APPLY TO BE A PRAIRIE HAWK

To apply for any of our positions in the College Community School District, complete the online application process located on our website under Seeking Employment at www.crprairie.org.

- Application
- Letter of Introduction
- Resume
- Transcript/Credentials
- Teaching Certificate

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**Lisa Meyers** Social Studies Teacher Prairie Point Middle School

"I have had the opportunity to be a counselor/ teacher in the College Community

district for 26 years and am proud to say my husband and both of our children are Prairie graduates. I feel blessed to have grown as an educator through professional learning, parent feedback and student responses.

At the center of all we do is our future - our students. We are continuously looking for innovative strategies to meet each individual's needs and support each one of them on their learning adventure. I have always felt the support of parents, co-workers and administration as we keep the best interests of our students at the forefront of our planning and decision making. College Community is a great place to work and it is an honor to be part of the Prairie Family."

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OUR VISION: Success For All

#### **OUR MISSION:**

To Ensure Quality Learning Today For Tomorrow

The College Community School District is a growing school district that serves approximately 5,700 students from Linn, Benton, and Johnson Counties. The 137 square mile district includes the cities of Ely, Fairfax, Shueyville, Swisher, Walford and part of southwest Cedar Rapids.



#### For More Information:

Human Resources Department College Community Schools 401 76th Avenue SW Cedar Rapids, IA 52404 319-848-5253 or 319-848-5246



### CENTRAL CAMPUS

The College Community School District's programs are located on an 860 acre site. The central campus site is unique for a district our size and a source of great pride for district patrons. The Prairie campus consists of five elementary schools (PK-4), an intermediate school (5-6), middle school (7-9), high school (10-12), Early Childhood Center, and three off-site programs.

### GREAT PRIDE

Parent and community support is highly valued. We strive to develop close relationships with students and parents so that our students feel safe and connected. We take great pride in our Prairie schools which are made up of outstanding staff, high performing students, supportive parents, and community members who value the importance of a quality education.

### PERSONALIZED LEARNING SYSTEM

College Community's 10 Year Strategic Plan goal is to create a personalized learning system. Personalized learning is a progressively learner-driven model in which learners deeply engage in meaningful, authentic, and rigorous challenges to demonstrate desired outcomes. Our teachers collaborate to design learning environments that are equitable, engaging, and empowering by providing students with opportunities for voice, co-creation, social construction, and self-discovery. A combination of targeted instruction, data-driven decisions, flexible content and tools, and student reflection and ownership ensures that each student receives what they need when they need it.

### NEW TEACHER SUPPORT

College Community recognizes that teachers thrive in an environment of reflection, feedback, and encouragement. Teachers in their first two years of the profession will collaborate regularly with an Induction Coach who specializes in meeting the needs of beginning teachers. The number one goal of this partnership is to increase new teacher effectiveness to enhance student learning.

### TEACHER LEADERSHIP AND PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

Many of our teachers cite high-quality professional development as a leading factor in their success and satisfaction at College Community.Teachers with three or more years of teaching experience (including one year within the district) have a variety of opportunities to assume formal leadership roles at the building and district levels through our Teacher Leadership System.

### SPECIALIZED PROGRAMMING

College Community School District prides itself in the quality and continuum of special education programs offered throughout the district. The district tries to centralize the programs that are offered in most of the buildings. Each building within the district specializes in certain types of disabilities to better provide the needed services and supports of special needs students, both in the regular education and the special education setting. All Prairie Schools believe that it is very important that students are best educated in the least restrictive environment.

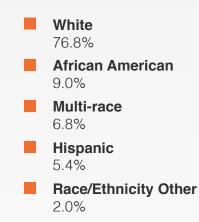
#### Becky Gearheart

Special Education Teacher Prairie High School

Since joining College Community School District, I have been given opportunities to learn new ways of helping students with their learning difficulties. Working in Special Education, it is especially important that we have the resources needed to help students reach the levels they are capable of. I appreciate that the district strives to help us be the best teachers we can be while also helping students become what they are meant to be: positive, productive adults who are successful in their post-secondary lives.

### #WEAREPRAIRIE













#### 12.6%

Students Receiving Special Education Services

#### 8.5% Talented & Gifted

3.5%

English Language Learners

**4,000** Lunches Served Daily



137 Miles Covered Daily

**4,200** Students Transported Daily



For the 2020-21 academic year, 418 students earned 2,743 college credits at Kirkwood Community College.



**86%** for students in grades 7-12 are involved in extracurricular activities



Graduation Rate



440 Teachers

437 Support Staff

29 Administrators



